

WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

- 5 A communication system that performs communication between a terminal and a central control unit, said terminal comprising:
read means for reading a manuscript as image data; character recognition means for performing character recognition from the image data, read by said read means, on the basis of a control signal; and
- 10 first communication means for transmitting a result of character recognition in said character recognition means to said central control unit or receiving said control signal from the central control unit;
- 15 said central control unit comprising:
second communication means for receiving the result of character recognition in said character recognition means from said terminal or transmitting said control signal to the terminal; and
- 20 control means for controlling said control signal on the basis of the result of character recognition in said character recognition means, which said second communication means receives.
2. The communication system according to claim
25 1, wherein said character recognition means comprises:
judging means for outputting a recognition

candidate character corresponding to said image data with using a recognition dictionary, and judging on the basis of said control signal whether said recognition candidate character is unrecognizable,

5 wherein said character recognition means outputs the result of character recognition on the basis of the judgement result of said judging means.

3. The communication system according to claim
10 2, wherein said judging means judges whether the recognition candidate character is unrecognizable, by comparing said control signal with similarity of said recognition candidate character.

15 4. The communication system according to claim
2, wherein said judging means judges that the recognition candidate character is unrecognizable, if a value shown by said control signal is larger than the similarity of said recognition candidate character.

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25 5. The communication system according to claim
4, wherein said character recognition means outputs a predetermined code showing unrecognizability as a recognition result of said recognition candidate character if the recognition candidate character is judged as a unrecognizable character as a result of

judgement of said judging means.

6. The communication system according to claim
5, wherein said control means decreases a value shown by
5 said control signal to a value less than a current value
if a number of said predetermined codes included in the
result of character recognition by said character
recognition means, which is received by said second
communication means, is not less than a predetermined
10 number.

7. The communication system according to claim
5, wherein said control means increases a value shown by
said control signal to a value larger than a current
15 value if a number of said predetermined codes included
in the result of character recognition by said character
recognition means, which is received by said second
communication means, is less than a predetermined
number.

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8. A control method for a communication system
that performs communication between a terminal and a
central control unit, said control method comprising:
a read step of reading a manuscript as image data;
25 a character recognition step of performing
character recognition from the image data, read at said

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- read step, on the basis of a control signal;
- 5 a first communication step of transmitting a result of character recognition at said character recognition step to said central control unit or receiving said control signal from the central control unit;
- 10 a second communication step of receiving the result of character recognition at said character recognition step from said terminal or transmitting said control signal to the terminal; and
- 15 a control step of controlling said control signal on the basis of the result of character recognition at the character recognition step, which said second communication step receives.
- 20 9. The control method for the communication system according to claim 8, wherein said character recognition step comprises:
- 25 a judging step of outputting a recognition candidate character corresponding to said image data with using a recognition dictionary, and judging on the basis of said control signal whether said recognition candidate character is unrecognizable,
- 30 wherein said character recognition step outputs the result of character recognition on the basis of the judgement result at said judging step.

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10. The control method for a communication system according to claim 9, where said judging step judges whether the recognition candidate character is unrecognizable, by comparing said control signal with 5 similarity of said recognition candidate character.
11. The control method for a communication system according to claim 9, wherein said judging step judges that said recognition candidate character is 10 unrecognizable, if a value shown by said control signal is larger than the similarity of the recognition candidate character.
12. The control method for a communication system according to claim 11, wherein said character 15 recognition step outputs a predetermined code showing unrecognizability as a recognition result of said recognition candidate character if the recognition candidate character is judged as an unrecognizable 20 character as a result of judgement of said judging step.
13. The control method for a communication system according to claim 12, wherein said control step decreases a value shown by said control signal to a 25 value less than a current value if a number of said predetermined codes included in the result of character

recognition at said character recognition step, which is received at said second communication step, is not less than a predetermined number.

5 14. The control method for a communication system according to claim 12, wherein said control step increases a value shown by said control signal to a value larger than a current value if a number of said predetermined codes included in the result of character 10 recognition at said character recognition step, which is received at said second communication step, is less than a predetermined number.

15 15. Computer-readable memory that stores program code for controlling a communication system that performs communication between a terminal and a central control unit, said computer-readable memory comprising:

program code for a read step of reading a manuscript as image data;

20 program code for a character recognition step of performing character recognition from image data, read at said read step, on the basis of a control signal;

25 program code for a first communication step of transmitting a result of character recognition at said character recognition step to said central control unit or receiving said control signal from the central

control unit;

program code for a second communication step of receiving the result of character recognition at said character recognition step from said terminal or
5 transmitting said control signal to the terminal; and

program code for a control step of controlling said control signal on the basis of the result of character recognition at said character recognition step, which said second communication step receives.

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16. A communication system that performs communication between a terminal and a central control unit, said terminal comprising:

read means for reading a manuscript, including a
15 manuscript ID showing a kind of the manuscript, as image data;

storage means for storing a recognition dictionary group whose members each correspond to each attribute of data;

20 character recognition means for performing character recognition from image data, read by said read means, with selecting a recognition dictionary, based on a control signal, from the recognition dictionary group, stored in said storage means;

25 manuscript ID recognition means for recognizing said manuscript ID from said image data; and

first communication means for transmitting a result
of character recognition in said character recognition
means and a result of manuscript ID recognition in said
manuscript ID recognition means to said central control
unit or receiving said control signal from the central
control unit;

said central control unit comprising:

second communication means for receiving the result
of character recognition in said character recognition
means and the result of manuscript ID recognition in
said manuscript ID recognition means from said terminal
or transmitting said control signal to the terminal; and
control means for controlling said control signal
on the basis of the result of manuscript ID recognition
in said manuscript ID recognition means, which said
second communication means receives.

17. The communication system according to claim
16, wherein said character recognition means determines
recognition candidate characters corresponding to said
image data with using a recognition dictionary based on
said control signal and outputs a predetermined number
of recognition candidate characters in the order
according to largeness of similarity of the recognition
candidate characters.

18. The communication system according to claim
16, wherein said control means comprises a database
managing said control signal every kind of a manuscript
that is shown by a manuscript ID and obtains from said
5 database a control signal corresponding to a manuscript
ID shown by the result of manuscript ID recognition in
said manuscript ID recognition means.

19. The communication system according to claim
10 16, wherein said control signal includes positional
information, showing each of plural recognition area in
said image data, and recognition dictionary information
showing a recognition dictionary used for recognition in
each recognition area.

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20. A control method for a communication system
that performs communication between a terminal and a
central control unit, said control method comprising:
a read step of reading a manuscript, including a
manuscript ID showing a kind of the manuscript, as image
data;
a character recognition step of performing
character recognition from image data, read at said read
step, with selecting a recognition dictionary, based on
25 a control signal, from a recognition dictionary group
whose members each correspond to each attribute of the

- image data;
- a manuscript ID recognition step of recognizing said manuscript ID from said image data;
- a first communication step of transmitting a result
- 5 of character recognition at said character recognition step and a result of manuscript ID recognition at said manuscript ID recognition step to said central control unit or receiving said control signal from the central control unit;
- 10 a second communication step of receiving the result of character recognition at said character recognition step and the result of manuscript ID recognition at said manuscript ID recognition step from said terminal or transmitting said control signal to the terminal; and
- 15 a control step of controlling said control signal on the basis of the result of manuscript ID recognition at said manuscript ID recognition step, which said second communication step receives.
- 20 21. The control method for a communication system according to claim 20, wherein said character recognition step determines recognition candidate characters to said image data with using a recognition dictionary based on said control signal and outputs a
- 25 predetermined number of recognition candidate characters in the order according to largeness of similarity of the

recognition candidate characters.

22. The control method for a communication system according to claim 20, wherein said control step 5 obtains from the database a control signal corresponding to a manuscript ID shown by the result of manuscript ID recognition at said manuscript ID recognition step.

23. The control method for a communication 10 system according to claim 20, wherein said control signal includes positional information, showing each of plural recognition area in said image data, and 15 recognition dictionary information showing a recognition dictionary used for recognition in each recognition area.

24. Computer-readable memory that stores program code for controlling a communication system that performs communication between a terminal and a central 20 control unit, said computer-readable memory comprising:

program code for a read step of reading a manuscript, including a manuscript ID showing a kind of the manuscript, as image data;

25 program code for a character recognition step of performing character recognition from image data, read at said read step, with selecting a recognition

dictionary whose members each correspond to each attribute of the data, on the basis of a control signal; program code for a manuscript ID recognition step of recognizing said manuscript ID from said image data;

5 program code for a first communication step of transmitting a result of character recognition at said character recognition step and a result of manuscript ID recognition at said manuscript ID recognition step to said central control unit or receiving said control

10 signal from the central control unit;

program code for a second communication step of receiving the result of character recognition at said character recognition step and the result of manuscript ID recognition at said manuscript ID recognition step

15 from said terminal or transmitting said control signal to the terminal; and

program code for a control step of controlling said control signal on the basis of the result of manuscript ID recognition at said manuscript ID recognition step,

20 which said second communication step receives.

25. A communication system that performs communication between a terminal and a central control unit, said terminal comprising:

25 read means for reading a manuscript as image data; character recognition means for performing

character recognition from image data, read by the read means, on the basis of a control signal; and

first communication means for transmitting a result of character recognition in said character recognition means to said central control unit or receiving said control signal from the central control unit;

5 said central control unit comprising:

input means for inputting said control signal; and

second communication means for receiving the result 10 of character recognition in said character recognition means from aid terminal or transmitting the control signal inputted from said input means to the terminal.

26. The communication system according to claim 15 25, wherein said character recognition means comprises judging means that outputs a recognition candidate character to said image data with using a recognition dictionary and judges on the basis of said control signal whether said recognition candidate character is 20 unrecognizable, and

wherein said character recognition means outputs the result of character recognition on the basis of a judgement result of said judging means.

25 27. The communication system according to claim 25, wherein said judging means judges whether said

recognition candidate character is unrecognizable, by comparing said control signal with similarity of the recognition candidate character.

5 28. The communication system according to claim
25, wherein said character recognition means outputs a
predetermined code showing unrecognizability as a
recognition result of said recognition candidate
character if the recognition candidate character is
10 unrecognizable as a result of judgement of said judging
means.

29. The communication system according to claim
25, wherein said central control unit comprises display
15 means displaying information relating to the result of
character recognition in said character recognition
means that is received in said second communication
means, and

wherein a control signal for obtaining desired
20 recognition accuracy is inputted by a user from said
display means on the basis of information displayed on
said display means.

30. A control method for a communication system
25 that performs communication between a terminal and a
central control unit, said control method comprising:

a read step of reading a manuscript as image data;
a character recognition step of performing
character recognition from the image data, read at said
read step, on the basis of a control signal;

5 a first communication step of transmitting a result
of character recognition at said character recognition
step to said central control unit or receiving said
control signal from the central control unit;

10 an input step of inputting said control signal; and
a second communication step of receiving the result
of character recognition at said character recognition
step from said terminal or transmitting the control
signal, inputted at said input step to the terminal.

15 31. The control method for a communication
system according to claim 30, wherein said character
recognition step comprises a judging step of outputting
a recognition candidate character corresponding to said
image data with using a recognition dictionary and
20 judging on the basis of said control signal whether said
recognition candidate character is unrecognizable, and
wherein said character recognition step outputs the
result of character recognition on the basis of a
judgement result at said judging step.

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32. The control method for a communication

system according to claim 31, wherein said judging step judges whether said recognition candidate character is unrecognizable, by comparing said control signal with similarity of the recognition candidate character.

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33. The control method for a communication system according to claim 31, wherein said character recognition step outputs a predetermined code showing unrecognizability as a recognition result of said 10 recognition candidate character if the recognition candidate character is unrecognizable as a result of judgement at said judging step.

34. The control method for a communication system according to claim 30, wherein said central 15 control unit comprises a display step displaying information, relating to the result of character recognition at said character recognition step that is received at said second communication step, on a display 20 unit, and

wherein a control signal for obtaining desired recognition accuracy is inputted by a user at said input step on the basis of information displayed on said display unit at said display step.

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35. Computer-readable memory that stores

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program code for controlling a communication system that performs communication between a terminal and a central control unit, said computer-readable memory comprising:

- program code for a read step of reading a
5 manuscript as image data;
- program code for a character recognition step of performing character recognition from image data, read at said read step, on the basis of a control signal;
- program code for a first communication step of
10 transmitting a result of character recognition at said character recognition step to said central control unit or receiving said control signal from the central control unit;
- program code for an input step of inputting said
15 control signal; and
- program code for a second communication step of receiving the result of character recognition at said character recognition step from said terminal or transmitting the control signal, which is inputted at
20 said input step, to the terminal.

36. A communication system that performs communication between a terminal and a central control unit, said terminal comprising:

- 25 read means for reading a manuscript, including a manuscript ID showing a kind of the manuscript, as image

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character recognition means for performing character recognition from the image data, read by said read means, on the basis of a control signal;

- 5 manuscript ID recognition means for recognizing said manuscript ID from said image data; and
- first communication means for transmitting a result of character recognition in said character recognition means and a result of manuscript ID recognition in said
- 10 manuscript ID recognition means to said central control unit or receiving said control signal from the central control unit;
- said central control unit comprising:
- second communication means for receiving the result
- 15 of character recognition in said character recognition means and the result of manuscript ID recognition in said manuscript ID recognition means from said terminal or transmitting said control signal to the terminal; and
- control means for controlling said control signal
- 20 on the basis of the result of manuscript ID recognition in said manuscript ID recognition means, which said second communication means receives.

37. The communication system according to claim
- 25 36, wherein said character recognition means comprises judging means that outputs a recognition candidate

character corresponding to said image data with using a recognition dictionary and judges on the basis of said control signal whether said recognition candidate character is unrecognizable, and

5 wherein said character recognition means outputs the result of character recognition on the basis of a judgement result of said judging means.

38. The communication system according to claim
10 37, wherein said judging means judges whether said recognition candidate character is unrecognizable, by comparing said control signal with similarity of said recognition candidate character.

15 39. The communication system according to claim
37, wherein said judging means judges that said image data is unrecognizable, if a value shown by said control signal is larger than the similarity of said recognition candidate character.

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25 40. The communication system according to claim
39, wherein said character recognition means outputs a predetermined code showing unrecognizability as a recognition result of said recognition candidate character if the recognition candidate character is unrecognizable as a result of judgement of said judging

means.

41. The communication system according to claim
40, wherein said control means comprises a database
5 managing said control signal every kind of a manuscript
that is shown by a manuscript ID, and
wherein said control means obtains from said
database a control signal corresponding to a manuscript
ID shown by the result of manuscript ID recognition in
10 said manuscript ID recognition means.

42. The communication system according to claim
1, wherein said control signal includes positional
information, showing each of plural recognition area in
15 said manuscript, and a threshold for judgement of
unrecognizability in each recognition area.

43. A control method for a communication system
that performs communication between a terminal and a
20 central control unit, said control method comprising:
a read step of reading a manuscript, including a
manuscript ID showing a kind of the manuscript, as image
data;
a character recognition step of performing
25 character recognition from image data, read at said read
step, on the basis of a control signal;

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a manuscript ID recognition step of recognizing
said manuscript ID from said image data; and
a first communication step of transmitting a result
of character recognition at said character recognition
5 step and a result of manuscript ID recognition at said
manuscript ID recognition step to said central control
unit or receiving said control signal from the central
control unit;

10 a second communication step of receiving the result
of character recognition at said character recognition
step and the result of manuscript ID recognition at said
manuscript ID recognition step from said terminal or
transmitting said control signal to the terminal; and
15 a control step of controlling said control signal
on the basis of the result of manuscript ID recognition
at said manuscript ID recognition step, which said
second communication step receives.

44. The control method for a communication
20 system according to claim 43, wherein said character
recognition step comprises a judging step of outputting
a recognition candidate character corresponding to said
image data with using a recognition dictionary and
judging on the basis of said control signal whether said
25 image data is unrecognizable, and
wherein said character recognition step outputs the

result of character recognition on the basis of a judgement result at said judging step.

45. The control method for a communication
5 system according to claim 44, wherein said judging step
judges whether said image data is unrecognizable, by
comparing said control signal with similarity of said
recognition candidate character.

10 46. The control method for a communication
system according to claim 44, wherein said judging step
judges that said image data is unrecognizable, if a
value shown by said control signal is larger than the
similarity of said recognition candidate character.

15 47. The control method for a communication
system according to claim 46, wherein said character
recognition step outputs a predetermined code showing
unrecognizability as a recognition result of said
recognition candidate character, if said image data is
20 unrecognizable as a result of judgement at said judging
step.

48. The control method for a communication
25 system according to claim 47, wherein said control step
obtains a control signal corresponding to a manuscript

ID shown by the result of manuscript ID recognition at said manuscript ID recognition step from a database managing said control signal every kind of the manuscript shown by said manuscript ID.

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49. The control method for a communication system according to claim 43, wherein said control signal includes positional information, showing each of plural recognition area in said manuscript, and a threshold for judgement of unrecognizability in each 10 recognition area.

50. Computer-readable memory that stores program code for controlling a communication system that performs communication between a terminal and a central 15 control unit, said computer-readable memory comprising:
program code for a read step of reading a manuscript, including a manuscript ID showing a kind of the manuscript, as image data;
20 program code for a character recognition step of performing character recognition from the image data, read at said read step, on the basis of a control signal;
program code for a manuscript ID recognition step 25 of recognizing the manuscript ID from said image data; and

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program code for a first communication step of transmitting a result of character recognition at said character recognition step and a result of manuscript ID recognition at said manuscript ID recognition step to 5 said central control unit or receiving said control signal from the central control unit;

program code for a second communication step of receiving the result of character recognition at said character recognition step and the result of manuscript 10 ID recognition at said manuscript ID recognition step from said terminal or transmitting said control signal to the terminal; and

program code for a control step of controlling said control signal on the basis of the result of manuscript 15 ID recognition at said manuscript ID recognition step, which said second communication step receives.

51. A communication system that performs communication between a terminal and a central control 20 unit, said terminal comprising:

read means for reading a manuscript as image data; character recognition means for dividing image data, read by said read means, into recognition areas each having the same attribute and performing character 25 recognition every recognition area, being divided, on the basis of a control signal corresponding to each

recognition area divided; and

- first communication means for transmitting positional information, showing the recognition areas respectively, and a result of character recognition
- 5 every recognition area to said central control unit or receiving said control signal from the central control unit;

said central control unit comprising:

- second communication means for receiving the
- 10 positional information, showing said recognition areas respectively, and the result of character recognition every recognition area from said terminal or transmitting said control signal to the terminal; and
- control means for controlling the control signal
- 15 every recognition area on the basis of the positional information, showing the recognition areas respectively, and the result of character recognition every recognition area, which said second communication means receives.

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52. The communication system according to claim
- 51, wherein said character recognition means comprises judging means that outputs a recognition candidate character corresponding to each of said recognition
- 25 areas with using a recognition dictionary and judges on the basis of said control signal, corresponding to each

of the recognition areas, whether the image data in the
recognition area is unrecognizable, and

wherein said character recognition means outputs
the result of character recognition on the basis of a
5 judgement result of said judging means.

53. The communication system according to claim
52, wherein said judging means judges whether the image
data is unrecognizable, by comparing said control signal
10 with similarity of said recognition candidate character.

54. The communication system according to claim
52, wherein said judging means judges that the image
data is unrecognizable, if a value shown by said control
15 signal is larger than the similarity of said recognition
candidate character.

55. The communication system according to claim
54, wherein said character recognition means outputs a
20 predetermined code showing unrecognizability as a
recognition result of said recognition candidate
character if the image data in said recognition area is
unrecognizable as a result of judgement of said judging
means.

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56. The communication system according to claim

55, wherein said control means decreases a value shown by said control signal to a value less than a current value if a number of said predetermined codes included in the result of character recognition by said character 5 recognition means, which is received by said second communication means, is not less than a predetermined number.

57. The communication system according to claim 10 55, wherein said control means increases a value shown by said control signal to a value larger than a current value if a number of said predetermined codes included in the result of character recognition by said character 15 recognition means, which is received by said second communication means, is less than a predetermined number.

58. A control method for a communication system that performs communication between a terminal and a 20 central control unit, said control method comprising:
a read step of reading a manuscript as image data;
a character recognition step of dividing image data, read at said read step, into recognition areas each having the same attribute and performing character 25 recognition every recognition area, being divided, on the basis of a corresponding control signal;

a first communication step of transmitting positional information, showing the recognition areas respectively, and a result of character recognition every recognition area to said central control unit or
5 receiving said control signal from the central control unit;

a second communication step of receiving the positional information, showing the recognition areas respectively, and the result of character recognition
10 every recognition area from said terminal or transmitting said control signal to the terminal; and

a control step of controlling the control signal every recognition area on the basis of the positional information, showing said recognition areas
15 respectively, and the result of character recognition every recognition area, which said second communication step receives.

59. The control method for a communication system according to claim 58, wherein said character recognition step comprises judging step that outputs a recognition candidate character corresponding to each of said recognition areas with using a recognition dictionary and judges on the basis of said control
20 signal, corresponding to each of the recognition areas,
25 whether the image data in the recognition area is

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unrecognizable, and

wherein said character recognition step outputs the result of character recognition on the basis of a judgement result of said judging step.

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60. The control method for a communication system according to claim 59, wherein said judging step judges whether the image data in said recognition area is unrecognizable, by comparing said control signal with 10 similarity of said recognition candidate character.

61. The control method for a communication system according to claim 59, wherein said judging step judges that the image data in said recognition area is 15 unrecognizable, if a value shown by said control signal is larger than the similarity of said recognition candidate character.

62. The control method for a communication 20 system according to claim 61, wherein said character recognition step outputs a predetermined code showing unrecognizability as a recognition result corresponding to the recognition candidate character if the image data in said recognition area is unrecognizable as a result 25 of judgement at said judging step.

63. The control method for a communication system according to claim 62, wherein said control step decreases a value shown by said control signal to a value less than a current value if a number of said 5 predetermined codes included in the result of character recognition at said character recognition step, which is received by said second communication step, is not less than a predetermined number.

10 64. The control method for a communication system according to claim 62, wherein said control step increases a value shown by said control signal to a value larger than a current value if a number of said 15 predetermined codes included in the result of character recognition at said character recognition step, which is received at said second communication step, is less than a predetermined number.

20 65. Computer-readable memory that stores program code for controlling a communication system that performs communication between a terminal and a central control unit, said computer-readable memory comprising:
25 program code for a read step of reading a manuscript as image data;
program code for a character recognition step of dividing image data, read at said read step, into

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recognition areas each having the same attribute and performing character recognition every recognition area, being divided, on the basis of a corresponding control signal;

5 program code for a first communication step of transmitting positional information, showing said recognition areas respectively, and a result of character recognition every recognition area to said central control unit or receiving said control signal
10 from the central control unit;

program code for a second communication step of receiving the positional information, showing said recognition areas respectively, and the result of character recognition every recognition area from said
15 terminal or transmitting said control signal to the terminal; and

program code for a control step of controlling the control signal every recognition area on the basis of the positional information, showing said recognition
20 areas respectively, and the result of character recognition every recognition area, which said second communication step receives.

66. A communication system that performs
25 communication between a terminal and a central control unit, said terminal comprising:

read means for reading a manuscript as image data; character recognition means for performing character recognition from image data read by said read means; and

5 first communication means for transmitting a result of character recognition in said character recognition means to said central control unit;

said central control unit comprising:

10 second communication means for receiving the result of character recognition in said character recognition means from said terminal;

display means for displaying the result of character recognition in said character recognition means, which said second communication means receives;

15 input means for inputting an instruction for performing processing to said result of character recognition; and

post-processing means for performing post-processing of said result of character recognition on 20 the basis of an input with said input means.

67. The communication system according to claim 66, wherein said character recognition means comprises judging means that outputs a recognition candidate 25 character corresponding to said image data with using a recognition dictionary and judges on the basis of said

control signal whether said image data is
unrecognizable, and

wherein said character recognition means outputs
the result of character recognition on the basis of a
5 judgement result of said judging means.

68. The communication system according to claim
67, wherein said judging means judges whether said image
data is unrecognizable, by comparing said control signal
10 with similarity of said recognition candidate character.

69. The communication system according to claim
67, wherein said judging means judges that said image
data is unrecognizable, if a value shown by said control
15 signal is larger than the similarity of said recognition
candidate character.

70. The communication system according to claim
67, wherein said character recognition means outputs a
20 predetermined code showing unrecognizability as a
recognition result of said recognition candidate
character if said image data is unrecognizable as a
result of judgement of said judging means.

25 71. The communication system according to claim
67, wherein said first communication means transmits

image data with said result of character recognition if the image data, which is judged as being unrecognizable by said judging means, exists.

- 5 72. A control method for a communication system that performs communication between a terminal and a central control unit, said control method comprising:
- a read step of reading a manuscript as image data;
- a character recognition step of performing
- 10 character recognition from image data read at said read step;
- a first communication step of transmitting a result of character recognition at the character recognition step to said central control unit;
- 15 a second communication step of receiving the result of character recognition at said character recognition step from said terminal;
- a display step for displaying the result of character recognition at said character recognition
- 20 step, which is received at said second communication step;
- an input step of inputting an instruction for performing processing of said result of character recognition; and
- 25 a post-processing step for performing post-processing of said result of character recognition on

the basis of an input at said input step.

73. The control method for a communication system according to claim 72, wherein said character 5 recognition step comprises judging step that outputs a recognition candidate character corresponding to said image data with using a recognition dictionary and judges on the basis of said control signal whether said image data is unrecognizable, and
- 10 wherein said character recognition step outputs the result of character recognition on the basis of a judgement result at said judging step.
74. The control method for a communication 15 system according to claim 73, wherein said judging step judges whether said image data is unrecognizable, by comparing said control signal with similarity of said recognition candidate character.
- 20 75. The control method for a communication system according to claim 73, wherein said judging step judges that said image data is unrecognizable, if a value shown by said control signal is larger than the similarity of said recognition candidate character.
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76. The control method for a communication

system according to claim 73, wherein said character
recognition step outputs a predetermined code showing
unrecognizability as a recognition result corresponding
to the recognition candidate character if said image
5 data is unrecognizable as a result of judgement at said
judging step.

77. The control method for a communication
system according to claim 73, wherein said first
10 communication step transmits image data with said result
of character recognition if the image data, which is
judged as being unrecognizable at said judging step,
exists.

15 78. Computer-readable memory that stores
program code for controlling a communication system that
performs communication between a terminal and a central
control unit, said computer-readable memory comprising:
program code for a read step of reading a

20 manuscript as image data;

program code for a character recognition step of
performing character recognition from image data read at
said read step;

25 program code for a first communication step of
transmitting a result of character recognition at said
character recognition step to said central control unit;

- program code for a second communication step of receiving the result of character recognition at said character recognition step from said terminal;
- 5 program code for a display step for displaying the result of character recognition at said character recognition step, which is received at said second communication step;
- 10 program code for an input step of inputting an instruction for performing processing of said result of character recognition; and
- program code for a post-processing step for performing post-processing of said result of character recognition on the basis of an input at said input step.

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